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COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

Pakistan: draft resolution

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 37/4 of 22 October 1982, 38/4 of 28 October 1983, 39/7 of 8 November 1984, 40/4 of 25 October 1985, 41/3 of 16 October 1986, 42/4 of 15 October 1987, 43/2 of 17 October 1988, 44/8 of 18 October 1989, 45/9 of 25 October 1990, 46/13 of 28 October 1991, 47/18 of 23 November 1992 and 48/24 of 24 November 1993,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, 1/

Taking into account the desire of both Organizations to cooperate more closely in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fundamental human rights and economic and technical development,

Recalling the Articles of the Charter of the United Nations that encourage the activities through regional cooperation for the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

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1/ A/49/465.

Noting the strengthening of cooperation between the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions,

Noting also the encouraging progress made in the nine priority areas of cooperation as well as in the identification of other areas of cooperation,

Convinced that the strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference contributes to the promotion of the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Taking into account the report of the Secretary-General entitled "An Agenda for Peace", 2/ in particular the section therein concerning cooperation with regional arrangements and organizations,

Noting with appreciation the determination of both organizations to strengthen further the existing cooperation by developing specific proposals in the designated priority areas of cooperation,

Welcoming the general meeting between the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions, held at Geneva from 9 to 11 May 1994, 3/

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the report of the Secretary-General;

2. Takes note of the conclusions and recommendations adopted by the general meeting between the organizations and agencies of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions;

3. Notes with satisfaction the active participation of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in the work of the United Nations towards the realization of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

4. Requests the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference to continue cooperation in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, fundamental human rights and economic and technical development;

5. Welcomes the proposals of the general meeting to strengthen cooperation between the two organizations in a number of different areas and to review the ways and means for enhancing the actual mechanisms of such cooperation;

2/ A/47/277-S/24111.

3/ See A/49/465, sect. III.

6. Welcomes also the intention of the secretariats of the two organizations to strengthen cooperation between them in the political field and to undertake consultations with a view to defining the mechanisms of such cooperation;

7. Encourages the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to continue to expand their cooperation with the Organization of the Islamic Conference, particularly by negotiating cooperation agreements, and invites them to multiply the contacts and meetings of the focal points for cooperation in priority areas of interest to the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

8. Urges the organizations of the United Nations system, especially the lead agencies, to provide increased technical and other forms of assistance to the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions in order to enhance cooperation;

9. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for his continued efforts to strengthen cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference to serve the mutual interests of the two organizations in the political, economic, social and cultural fields;

10. Requests the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference to hold consultations on a regular basis between representatives of the Secretariat of the United Nations and the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference focusing on the implementation of programmes, projects and follow-up action;

11. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in cooperation with the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, to continue to encourage the convening of sectoral meetings in the priority areas of cooperation, as recommended by the previous meetings between the two organizations, including follow-up to the sectoral meetings;

12. Notes that the next focal point meeting of the lead agencies of the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference will be held in 1995, the date and venue of which will be decided after consultations between the two organizations;

13. Notes also that the date, venue and theme of the next sectoral meeting on technical cooperation will be decided after consultations between the focal points of the lead agencies of the two organizations;

14. Expresses its appreciation for the efforts of the Secretary-General in the promotion of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and expresses the hope that he will continue to strengthen the mechanisms of coordination between the two organizations;

15. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the state of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

16. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference".

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STRENGTHENING OF THE COORDINATION OF HUMANITARIAN AND DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING SPECIAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE: EMERGENCY INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF REFUGEES, THE RESTORATION OF TOTAL PEACE, RECONSTRUCTION AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN WAR-STRICKEN RWANDA

Algeria, Burundi, Congo, Eritrea, Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, Togo and Vanuatu: draft resolution

Emergency international assistance for a solution to the problem of refugees, the restoration of total peace, reconstruction and socio-economic development in war-stricken Rwanda

The General Assembly,

Recalling Security Council resolution 872 (1993) of 5 October 1993, in which the Council urged Member States, United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations to provide and intensify their economic, financial and humanitarian assistance in favour of the Rwandese population and of the democratization process in Rwanda,

Recalling also its resolution 48/211 of 21 December 1993, entitled "Emergency assistance for the socio-economic rehabilitation of Rwanda",

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on Rwanda of 3 August 1994, 1/ and of the statement by the President of the Security Council

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Council of 10 August 1994 2/ in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The situation concerning Rwanda",

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on emergency assistance for the socio-economic rehabilitation of Rwanda, 3/

Taking into consideration the serious consequences of genocide and of the destruction of the economic, social, educational and administrative infrastructure,

Expressing its grave concern over the disastrous humanitarian situation of the Rwandese population, including 2 million refugees and displaced persons who need to be reintegrated into society and employment,

Recognizing that several categories of refugees are involved since they result from successive episodes in the conflict since 1959-1960,

Considering the diversity of the victims of the conflict, namely, the refugees, the many orphans, the widowers and widows, the disabled and others in need, in particular the young people in need of schooling,

Emphasizing the need to consider the crisis in Rwanda in a regional context, in view of its implications for the countries of the region, through the implementation of the Plan of Action recommended by the Government of Rwanda, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Organization of African Unity within the framework of the Arusha Peace Agreement, 4/

Taking into account the fact that, because of the total collapse of the national economy, the lack of human and technical resources and the financial disaster in Rwanda, emergency assistance, rehabilitation and reconstruction are essential for the economic recovery and development of the country,

Recognizing that the Arusha Peace Agreement, signed on 4 August 1993, provides a legal and political foundation for agreement and that its implementation would guarantee national reconciliation,

Expressing its gratitude to those States and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations which have responded positively and continue to respond positively to the humanitarian needs of Rwanda, and to the Secretary-General, who has mobilized and coordinated the distribution of humanitarian assistance,

1. Encourages the Government of Rwanda to pursue its efforts with a view to creating conditions which would be conducive to the return of the refugees to

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2/ S/PRST/1994/42.

3/ A/49/516.

4/ A/48/824-S/26915, annex I.

their country and their resettlement and to the recovery by displaced persons of their property in peace, security and dignity;

2. Congratulates the Secretary-General on the efforts he has made to draw the attention of the international community to the humanitarian crisis which Rwanda is undergoing;

3. Urges all States, United Nations organizations, specialized agencies and other intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the international financial and development institutions to provide all possible financial, technical and material assistance with a view to facilitating the restoration of basic services and rehabilitating the economy, and ensuring the reconstruction of the social and economic infrastructure of Rwanda and the return and resettlement of refugees and internally displaced persons in Rwanda;

4. Invites all States, United Nations organizations and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to provide emergency assistance to facilitate the reintegration of refugees and displaced persons into society and employment, as well as the completion of the democratization process with a view to the restoration of a lasting peace in Rwanda;

5. Urges all States, in particular the donor countries, to contribute generously to the Trust Fund established by the Secretary-General on 14 July 1994 to finance humanitarian relief and rehabilitation programmes to be implemented in Rwanda;

6. Invites all States, in particular bilateral donors, and the international financial institutions, to respond to the financial needs of Rwanda in order to permit the restoration and normal functioning of State institutions;

7. Requests all Governments to transmit to the Secretary-General information on their bilateral assistance programmes in order to enable him to coordinate more effectively activities designed to respond to the needs of Rwanda;

8. Also requests the Government of Rwanda and the other partners concerned (the Organization of African Unity and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees), including the States of the subregion, to meet without delay to consider the problems relating to Rwandese refugees at a subregional conference within the framework of the Plan of Action adopted under the Arusha Peace Agreement;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to provide all possible assistance to support the strengthening of total peace in Rwanda and to submit to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session a report on the implementation of this resolution;

10. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session an item entitled "Emergency international assistance for a solution to the problem of refugees, the restoration of total peace, reconstruction and socio-economic development in war-stricken Rwanda".